

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 11, 1744.

Constantinople, October 22.

We have made public Rejoicings here within these few Days, fired all the Cannon from the Seven Towers, and took every other Method that could be thought of, to express our Joy and Satisfaction for the Victory obtained last Month over the Shah Nadir, in the Neighbourhood of Kars. On

the Hand, the Persians have made as great, or Rejoicings, and, in all human Probability, with more Reason, since it is now certain, that notwithstanding the total Defeat our Court makes us becoming received, they still continue before Kars, and the City every Day more and more, and have their Lines of Circumvallation with Turrets

strengthened; so that it is plain they intend to remain during the Winter, till Hunger shall force the Garrison to surrender. Advices from Erzerum are as bad, or worse; the Garrison there is so distressed, that as soon as they are taken, their Turn will be next, have taken the Garrison, and quitting their Habitations, have retired to the Sea. We have, upon this, sent Orders to the Army, to fight the Enemy, let the Consequence be what it will. That General has returned, for Answer, impossible, considering the distressed State of the Army, and the great Superiority of the Persians. In this Situation, the Divan found Means to make Propositions of Peace, by one Chieslieli, an Italian

The Answer given by the Shah, was, That none of those Heroes who destroyed his own, and those of other States, for the Sake of Power, but that for his Part, he fought to procure a Peace; and, at the same Time, gave him a Plan in his own Hand-Writing; by which it appears, he got nothing by beating him; for these Propositions were much harder than those that have been before

As the Court has not been able to conceal this from the People, they now avow it; but our Spirits, they begin to talk of great Fortunes. There is an Indian here, who had some Time at Bassora. The Ministers here

gave him a very handsome Equipage; and withal, adorned him with the Title of Envoy from the Mogul, come hither to conclude an offensive and defensive Alliance with his Sublime Highness; but as the Alliance of a heathen People might not fill us with Pleasure, there is another Story tack'd to this, which the Usbeck Tartars are likewise to enter into the Alliance. In Consequence of a League they have already made with the Mogul. There are here, as there are elsewhere, abundance of credulous People, with all this goes down very well; but the sensible Part of the World see thro' it clearly. But as ill Luck follows, there is another Piece of bad News

the last Peace with Russia, there have been great Differences between their Cossicks and our Tartars, about their Frontiers. Our Ministry protestant these Disputes amicably; but they go so slow, that the Patience of the Russian Emperor is worn out, and the Czarina has sent regular Troops, to enable the Cossicks to do Justice. This Step embarrasses us more than we can give up the Tartars; and on the other hand, we dare not offend them, for fear of bringing a War upon our Hands.

The French and Spanish Camp at Arche, Nov. 17. At Two in the Afternoon, we set Fire to the great Magazine, and the great Cistern, blew up about an Hour afterwards; and the rest of the Magazine after another, till Nine in the Evening. We in this Tragedy, a Piquet of 30 Grenadiers, and 100 of the Regiment of Poitou, which by the blowing up the great Gate, which was defended by M. de Tumes, Captain of the Miners, was killed upon the Spot. The Enemy attempted to save the Place, but were repulsed by the Guard. This Day the Princes, and their Army arrived here. We have made a Detachment of 1000 Men, to escort the Artillery; and will get over the Mountains we are yet to pass, which are entirely cover'd with Ice, is what we cannot determine.

Extract of a private Letter from a Person of Distinction, lately retired from Savoy, dated Geneva, Nov. 27.

The terrible Campaign is at last over, and there is not a Spaniard in Piedmont, except those that are Prisoners of War; all they have been able to effect, amounts to no more than destroying Villages, Castles, and Farms, which they have done without Mercy, and have turn'd them into mere Heaps of Cynders; committing unheard of Cruelties on the poor Peasants, and their Families. The King of Sardinia has had the Satisfaction to relieve the two Princes, while they were at Demont, by sending them four Mules, laden with Provisions, after they had been, for some Days, even without Bread. When they march'd from thence, to repass the Mountains, they left 80 Mines under Demont; but 12 brave Grenadiers got into the Place time enough to cut off all the burning Matches except 15, and those Mines have not done much Harm to the Fort, which is still in a Manner entire, and will very soon be put in a State of Defence. They had a great many Prisoners taken in their Retreat, and would have suffered much more, but that the Snow was seven Feet high. Their Artillery must be all new cast, for they were forc'd to break it to Pieces to facilitate the Carriage. Their Army is mightily reduced, they are return'd into Savoy in a miserable Condition; and their Affairs are no more advanc'd than they were three Years ago, when they first came into our poor Country. I am retir'd to this City, to be, at least, out of their Sight, and to avoid, as far as possible, the Effects of their ill Humour, &c.

I R E L A N D.

Dublin, December 1. This Week died Henry Usher, of Balloon, in the County of Meath, Esq; by whose Death an Estate of 900 l. per Ann. falls to his Daughter, the Lady of Richard Baldwin, Esq; of Stephen's Green.

C O U N T R Y N E W S.

Bristol, December 10. The Prince Charles Privateer, Gwin, from a Cruise, who spoke with the Resolution Privateer, Elworthy, ten Days ago, having retaken, as we hear, two Carolina Men, and the Privateer that took them, are conjectur'd to have made their Way for some Port in Ireland.

H O M E P O R T S.

Falmouth, December 6. Wind W. N. W. Since my last arrived the Francis, Skinner, from Lisbon; the Jago, Cornelius, from Dram; the Victory, Hefserman, from London; the Salisbury, Strong, from Southampton; and the Two Brothers, Mansell, from South Carolina.

Plymouth, November 7. Since my last came in his Majesty's Ship the Lark; the Venus, Shirley, from St. Kitts, last from Milford; the Bridgetown, Barrat, from London for Jamaica; and the Prince Frederick and Romney Men of War from Spithead.

Pool, December 8. The Sun of Arundale, Larson, from Frederickstad, which was ashore in Studland Bay, is happily got off, and will put back to Portsmouth to repair.

Southampton, December 7. Since my last arrived the Montague, Benvenin, from Guernsey for this Place; the Four Brothers, Allet, and the Hope, Broad, from London, both for Guernsey. Sailed the Swallow, Sonytherd, for Aderney; and the Thomas and Mary, Ely, for Dublin.

Graveland, December 9. Passed by the Antelope, Mercer, from St. Ubes; the Lucy, Purches, from Oporto; the Good Fortune, Shiger, from Hamburg; the Hope, Grayson, from Bourdeaux; the Mary Galley, Eikeus, from Stangate Creek; the Anne Galley, Wigg, and the Shirley, Thompson, from Jamaica; and the Britannia, Johnston, from Petersburg.

Arrived at several Ports.

At Carolina, the Charming Susan, Scot, from London.

At Maryland, the Anne, Hales, from Naples.

At Appledore, the Kent, and Maryland Merchant, both from Maryland.

At Kinsale, the Shoreham Privateer, Miligen, from a Cruise.

At Plymouth, the Thistle, Atkins, from New England.

In the River, the Delight, Baily, the Industry, Baily, the Anne, Fowler, the Sophia, Coxen, the Stockholm Merchant, Hooper, and the St. Lawrence, Austin, all from Petersburg.

L O N D O N.

They write from Paris, that the Princes were obliged, in their Retreat, to march many Miles on Foot; by

which, the Inflammation the Prince of Conti had in his Legs, is much increased; so that it is doubted it will be attended with ill Consequences.

They write from Ratisbon, that the Austrians have retaken Burghausen by Storm, and that 3000 Imperialists were cut to Pieces; but Letters from Munich, of the 1st Instant, say, that the Austrians were repuls'd with very great Slaughter.

They write from Brussels, that as soon as the Campaign is over in Bohemia, Prince Charles will return thither; and that it is believed he will command the Army in the Low Countries next Spring.

The William and Mary, Donald, bound from Bristol to Boston; and the Delight, James, bound from Antigua to Bristol, are both taken by the French, and carried into Bayonne.

The Dutch Man of War, call'd the Damiate, is arriv'd at Spithead from Lisbon; the other two were in Sight, coming in.

The French Prize brought into Kinsale by the Tuscany, is call'd the Matthew.

Number 1934, a Prize of 1000 l. drawn Yesterday, was sold in Shares at Hazard and Company's New State Lottery Office the Corner of Spring-Garden, Charing-Cross, where the Money will be paid on Demand, to the Persons who bought their Shares there.

Extract of a Letter from on board the Union, Captain Turner, at Barbados, Sept. 23.

The 15th Inst. arriv'd here Commodore Knowles, from Antigua, with five Sail of Men of War, and set Sail again the 22d, in Company with several Privateers, to attack Martinico. Ever since their Stay here, there has been a hot Preff by Sea and Land; so that we, and many others, went up into the Country to avoid it. The Commodore being thereby disappointed in his Expectation, of getting a sufficient Complement of Men, he made a Draught of three Parts of the Crew belonging to a Man of War Snow, that came in the Day before he hoisted Anchor, and has left her here to press. We are to sail with a Fleet of Londoners, when ready; which, 'tis believed, may be about the Middle of next Month. Sugars run so high, and Rum at 2 s. 6 d. a Gallon, that few Vessels are yet full. I have taken this Opportunity, by a large Snow bound for Ireland, and two Liverpool Brigs, now weighing Anchor in order to sail under the Convoy of a Man of War's Ship.

Extract of a Letter from Kinsale, November 30.

The 18th Instant the Tuscany Privateer of Bristol, 300 Tons, Robert Raitt, Commander, which sailed hence the 9th Instant, arriv'd from a Cruise with two Prizes; viz. the Adington of Liverpool, 80 Tons; John Robinson, Master, from Liverpool and Cork; with Bale Goods, and Provisions, for St. Kitts; which was taken by a Spanish Privateer the 14th Instant, on this Coast; and retaken by the Tuscany the 16th Instant; and the St. Matthew of Havre de Grace, 100 Tons, Francis Gurett, Master, from Martinico, with Cotton, Sugar, Coffee, and Cocoa, for Bourdeaux; computed to be worth 6000 l. There was no Opposition in taking the Prizes. There was another Ship in Company with the Adington from Liverpool and Cork, with Bale Goods and Provisions, bound to Antigua; taken at the same Time by the Spanish Privateer. This Morning arriv'd the Shoreham Privateer of London, 400 Tons, 20 Guns, nine Pounders, 24 Swivels, and 204 Men, Robert Meligan, Commander, from a Cruise. She left the Downs the 6th of October; since which, she continued at Sea without Success. She narrowly escap'd six Sail of the Breff Squadron, which gave her Chase; but being a prime Sailor, got clear. She was formerly a King's Ship. The Trial Privateer sailed Yesterday on a Cruise.

Extract of a Letter from on Board the Hampton Court Man of War, at Spithead, dated December 8, 1744.

We parted with Vice-Admiral Davers the 24th ult. in Lat. 46: 30: and Long. 6: 30: from the Lizard. When we left him, he had only the Weymouth, and four Merchant Ships in Company, one of them the Thames; the rest having parted Company in strong Gale.

Last Saturday Evening Farmer Carter, of Kilbourn, near Paddington, was attack'd by a single Footpad with a half a Mile of his own House; and on his resisting, the Villain cut him over the Head, and other Parts of the Body, in so cruel a manner, that his Life is despar'd of. He was a tall Man, and had on a White Coat.

Last Sunday Mr Oliver, the Bargeman, who was drowned about Six Weeks ago, was taken up at Chiswick; he had 5 l. in his Pocket.

Yesterday the Right Hon. the Lord Walpole, Auditor of his Majesty's Exchequer, set out for Houghton Hall.

On Saturday last a Grant passed the Great Seal to Edward Heylin, of the Parish of Bow, and Thomas Frye, of Westham, Painter, of their new Invention of manufacturing a certain Material, whereby a Ware may be made of the same Nature as China.

Yesterday the following Numbers were drawn Prizes in the State Lottery, viz. 1934. 1000 l. 24,479. 500 l. 24,138. 36,017. 31,983. 6379. 100 l. each.

On Sunday Night Mr. Corbett, a wealthy Weaver in Brick-lane, was attacked near Bethnal Green, by three Fellows dressed like Soldiers, who robbed him of his Watch, Eight Guineas, and some Silver.

The same Day died Mr. Bentley, a wealthy Coach-maker in Longacre.

Yesterday Charles Wynne, Esq; of Highgate, was married to Miss Susanna Burrill, of that Place.

Last Thursday died Mr. Thompson, a great Pewterer near Whitechapel Bars.

Yesterday the Sessions ended at the Old Bailey, when 13 Prisoners were tried; viz.

Seven were cast for Transportation, And Six acquitted.

The Twenty-one mentioned in our Former to have been capitally convicted, received Sentence of Death.

William Harding, a Vintner at the Spring-Garden at Stepney, who surrendered himself, in order to take his Trial for the Murder of James Sparkes, a Watchman of Portoken Ward, in a Fray which happened on the 21st of August last (for which one Morgan was some time since tried) was tried and acquitted.

Next Sessions will begin on Monday the 14th of January, at Guildhall; and on Wednesday the 16th, at the Old Bailey.

| High Water this Day | Morning | Evening |
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| at London-Bridge. | 5 03 26 | 03 45 |

Bank Stock, 145 to 144 3/4ths. India, 186. South Sea, 111 5/8ths. Old Annuity, 112. New ditto, 112 1/8th to 1/4th. Three per Cent. 93 1/2-half. Ditto 1743, 93 1/8th to 1/4th. Ditto 1744, 93 1/2-half. Seven per Cent. Loan, Nothing done. Five per Cent. ditto, Nothing done. Royal Assurance, 86. London Assurance, 11 1/4th. India Bonds, 2 l. 10 s. to 11 s. Bank Circulation, 2 l. 5 s. Salt Tallow, Nothing done. Three 1/2-half per Cent. Exchequer Orders, Nothing done. Three per Cent. ditto, Nothing done. Million Bank, 116 1/2-half. Equivalent, 110. Tickets, 12 l. 15 s. to 16 s.

Admiralty-Office, December 5, 1744.

Whereas by an Establishment, which has been long in Force in the Royal Navy, a Schoolmaster is allowed to each of his Majesty's Ships of the Third, Fourth, and Fifth Rate, with the Allowance of Midshipman's Pay, and Twenty Pounds a Year besides for his Encouragement; but an Opinion having prevailed of late Years, that since the Erection of a Royal Academy at Portsmouth, for Educating and Training up Gentlemen's Sons for his Majesty's Sea Service, the Establishment of Schoolmasters has been abolished; which Opinion being hurtful to his Majesty's Service, by preventing Persons from applying to be employed in that Capacity, and thereby depriving the Youth, who serve on Board his Majesty's Ships, of the necessary Assistance for perfecting themselves in the Art of Navigation: The Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty think proper to order this public Notice to be given, that the Establishment of Schoolmasters on Board the Ships of the Royal Navy is still in Force; and that if Persons properly qualified, by having passed an Examination at Trinity House, will apply to this Office, they shall meet with all due Encouragement, and be warranted as Schoolmasters, on board such of his Majesty's Ships as may be in want of them.

Tho. Corbett.

Admiralty-Office, December 8, 1743.

The Leave of Absence given to such of the Petty-Officers, and Foremastmen, lately belonging to his Majesty's Ship the Colchester, who were directed to serve on board his Majesty's Ship the Ipswich, at Portsmouth, having expired the 25th of last Month, and but very few of the said Men being got to their Duty on board the said Ship Ipswich; The Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty do hereby strictly direct them to repair immediately down to that Ship at Portsmouth; and if any of them fail to do so, they will not only lose the Wages due to them, but the Master of the said Ship will be directed to apprehend them, in order to their being tried as Deserters, and punished with the utmost Severity of the Law.

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